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ENDOGENOUS mRNA-PROTEIN (mRNP) COMPLEXES

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 1, 2004. Applicants request a two month extension of time up to and including Monday, May 2, 2005 and enclose the requisite fee. Applicants believe that no other fees are due. However, should Applicants be in error, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fee to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-3211.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.